

Climate Forum East (CFE) II

The specific objective is to increase capacity of 6 existing national CSO Climate Change Adaptation (CCA) networks and individual CSO network members to contribute to national and local policy making processes, public awareness raising, and education on Climate Change and environmental governance in the Eastern Neighbourhood Region.

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Partners in EaP region: Armenian Red Cross Society, Azerbaijan Red Crescent Society, Belarus Red Cross Society, EcoContact in Moldova, Georgia Red Cross Society, National Ecological Centre of Ukraine

International project partners: WWF International Danube-Carpathian Program, WWF Caucasus, International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies

Locations: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine

Estimated results and main activities

- (1) Capacities of 6 CSO networks and individual CSO network members strengthened through tailored CSO capacity development programs in the areas of leadership, resource mobilization and communication
Main activities: conduct 24 initial (baseline) and final organizational capacity assessments (3 CSOs in 6 countries plus 1 CSO network/ country); develop a modular capacity development program for selected CSO, including training packages, mentoring, consultancies and peer exchange with more experienced CSOs; implement capacity development measures in the selected CSOs;
- (2) CSOs have increased capacity in developing local CCA action plans through multi-stakeholder dialogue and implemented community-led projects for evidence-based local and national advocacy
Main activities: Participatory development of 18 local climate change adaptation (CCA) plans (3/country); sub-grant 6 small scale climate change adaptation projects/ country according to CCA plans; prepare 18 local case studies for national policies;
- (3) National CSO networks have increased their impact in influencing national policy dialogue in climate change and environmental governance, reaching out to and mobilizing youth and raising public awareness on climate related topics
Main activities: National media campaigns in 6 EaP countries; awareness raising and education activities, also actively involving young people; participation in relevant national platforms; advocating for climate change and health
- (4) Capacities of 6 CSO networks and individual CSO network members increased by sharing practical climate change and environmental governance knowledge and experiences regionally
Main activities: regional project team/steering group meetings; regional database, website, facebook, newsletter; CfE II conference for knowledge/best practice exchange

Target groups: 6 CSO networks on Climate Change Adaptation in EaP countries; around 80 CSO network members in all target countries

Final beneficiaries: Local and national decision-makers; national disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation relevant platforms; media; 18 local communities; youth leaders and young volunteers; general public

Project duration: 30 months, 1 January 2015 – 30 June 2017

Total budget: € 1.280.000

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